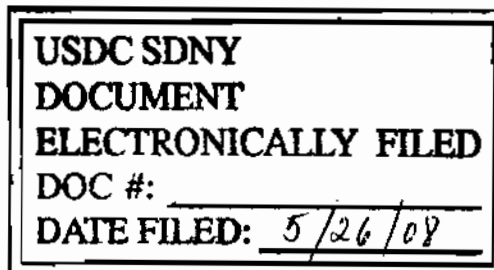


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- against -

THE RICE COMPANY,

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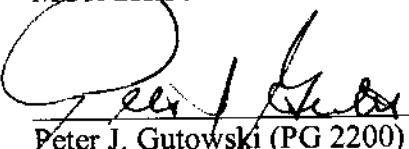
**STIPULATION AND ORDER
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ATTACHED FUNDS**

The Defendant not having appeared, answered or filed a motion for summary judgment, the above entitled action is hereby discontinued pursuant to F.R.C.P. 41(a)(1)(A)(i) and the Attachment issued in this action pursuant to Supplemental Rule B is hereby vacated and cancelled. Any garnishee holding funds pursuant to the Order of Attachment issued in this action is hereby directed to immediately release the funds from restraint and return them to the defendant.

Dated: New York, New York
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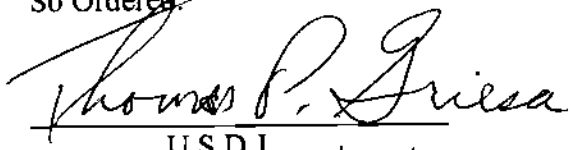
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